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For: NUCLEIC ACIDS AND POLYPEPTIDES
SPECIFIC OF THE NEISSERIA GENUS
PATHOGENIC STRAINS

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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 12, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the paragraph indicated in **Attachment A**.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please insert the following heading before the claims:

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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

Please cancel claims 2, 7, 8 and 11-13 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 1, 3-6, 10 and 14 are withdrawn from consideration.

Please add new claims 15-24.

A complete listing of all claims, including the newly added heading referred to above, is provided herewith in **Attachment B**.